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The Co.'s Steamship
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Cargo will not be received on board after
3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to
G. ZANELLA,
Agent.

Hongkong, September 4, 1893. 1506

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

The Steamship
Lightning, Capt. J. G. BREWER, will
be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 5th inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 1, 1893. 1532

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).
(Taking cargo & passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW
CHIANG, TIENSIN, HANKOW
and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship
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be despatched as above on
TUESDAY, the 5th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 1, 1893. 1529

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Norfolk, Captain F. SMITH, will
be despatched for the
above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 6th
instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, September 2, 1893. 1541

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).
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be despatched as above on
THURSDAY, the 7th September.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 28, 1893. 1519

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Port Albion, Capt. C. E. BIRD, R.N.R., will
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above Port on or about FRIDAY, the
8th September.

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Hongkong, August 25, 1893. 1485

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S.S. *Bellmouth*.

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NEW YORK.

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about 1st October.

For Freight, &c., apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, August 25, 1893. 1483

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method of ventilation. Copies of reports
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The 100 A.D. Hawaiian Barque
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here for the above Port, and
will have quick despatch.

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Hongkong, August 2, 1893. 1337

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Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,
and KELLY & CO.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

A BRANCH of the above-named Company
has been OPENED on this
date, at HONGKONG, of which the Under-
signed has been appointed MANAGER.

The OFFICE of the Company is at Nos.
1 and 2, BEACONSTON ARCADE.

By Order,

H. U. JEFFRIES,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 1, 1893. 1529

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MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

M. R. CHAU TSEUNG FAT has been
appointed SECRETARY to the above
Company, vice Mr. WOO LIN YUEN, deceased.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUEZ, PORT SAID,
NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE DEYAN, BLACK
SEA & BALTIQ PORTS;
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargos can be taken on through
Agents of Lading for the principal places
in RUSSIA.

ON MONDAY, the 18th day of September,
1893, at noon, the Company's
S.S. *GERTA*, Captain W. V. SCHUCKEMAN,
with MAIIS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this port about
calling at NARVIK, GROSVENOR,
Shipping Orders will be granted till
noon on Saturday, the 16th September.
Cargo and Specie will be received on
board until NOON on MONDAY, the 18th
Sept., and Parcels will be received at the
Agencies' Office, until NOON on SUNDAY,
the 17th Sept. Contents of Packages are
required. No Parcel Receipts will be
signed at less than \$2, and Parcels should
not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measure-
ment.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

For further particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 28, 1893. 1504

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONOLULU
(City of Rio de Janeiro)

Kobe, Inland Sea, THURSDAY, Sept. 14,
and Yokohama).

City of New York, via Nagasaki, THURSDAY, Sept. 21,

Kobe, Inland Sea, at 1 p.m.

City of Peking, via Nagasaki, Kobe, THURSDAY, Oct. 5,

Inland Sea and at 1 p.m.
(Yokohama).

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
RIO DE JANEIRO will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and
YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 11th
September, at 1 p.m., taking Passengers
and Freight for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the
INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at
HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed
to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany, and the
trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the
principal cities of the United States, Canada, and
Australia, rates may be obtained upon application.

First Class Passengers have full choice of
any of the Overland Routes, including
CENTRAL PACIFIC, SOUTHERN
PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, NORTH
ERN PACIFIC, and DENVER and RIO
GRANDE RAILWAYS. They may also
travel over the CANADIAN PACIFIC
RAILWAY, on payment of \$10 in addition
to the regular tariff rate.

Particulars of the various routes can be
had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to
European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials in
their family.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama, and other Japanese
Ports, to S.A. Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via
Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad,
and Domingo, and to ports in Mexico
Central and South America, by the Com-
pany's and connecting Steamers.

Fright will be received on board until 4
p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcels
Packages will be received at the office until
5 p.m., same day; all Parcels Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

Counter-Invoices to accompany Cargo
destined to points beyond San Francisco
in the United States, should be sent to the
Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes,
addressed to the Collector of Customs at San
Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 26, 1893. 1493

SANTAL-MIDY.

The pure Essence of Santal ob-
tained by Midy's process from the
best Myro wood.

SANTAL-MIDY entirely differ-
ent from the
santal oil of the Indian Basins,
is superior to Copra, Cuban, or
any other oil from all bad
smell or other inconveniences.

SANTAL-MIDY cures all de-
rangements of
the urinary organs in either sex
in 48 hours.

SANTAL-MIDY is contained
in small round
Capsules, each of which
bears the name ... MIDY
in black letters, without
which are genuine.

SANTAL-MIDY Imitations
All other Capsules or mixtures
contain impurities, resin, oils,
etc., and are worse than useless.

SANTAL-MIDY is sold by all
druggists and
medicine dealers throughout the
world.

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For Sale by A. WATSON & Co., Chemists.

Mails.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSEILLE, LONDON,
HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 6th September,
1893, at noon, the Company's
S.S. YAKATA, Commanded by MATSUBORO,
with PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave the Port for the
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Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as Marseilles, and ap-
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Hongkong, August 24, 1893. 1474

Not Responsible for Debts.

Whether the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in (London) Harbour:

CHIEF OF BRITISH SHIPS, Capt. KENNEDY
SIMMONS & CO.

GEORGE STEPHENSON, American ship, Capt.
E. L. MORSE, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JOHN R. KELLY, American ship, Capt.
O. E. CHAPMAN, Master.

FOR CHAMPAGNY
Agents.

Hongkong, August 24, 1893. 1474

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The Agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that the steamer Oceanus left Seign yesterday morning, the 3rd inst., at 5 o'clock.

The s.s. City of Peking, with the American Mail &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, on the 2nd instant.

The Agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that owing to an accident to her machinery the Yarrow did not leave Shanghai for that port until this morning, the 4th inst., at 5 o'clock. The departure of the Yarrow for Europe will therefore be delayed. The hours of closing the Mail will be notified later on.

The Straits Settlements Import and Export Returns for the first quarter of the present year have been published. Compared with the corresponding quarter of 1892 and the fourth quarter of 1892, the import figures show an increase in all the Settlements. The export figures show also increases compared with these quarters, excepting very slight falls off in Singapore and Malacca in comparison with the last quarter of 1892. Exclusive of treasure, the value of imports into Singapore during the first quarter of this year reached \$25,46,336 and that of exports from Singapore—\$21,16,405. Straits Times.

It is well known that electric currents of great intensity or strength, and 'high frequency' or rapid change in direction have no ill effect on the human body. As far as others have shown, the body of the experimenter can be included in the circuit of such currents without his feeling anything. M. d'Arsonval, the well-known French electrician, has made another experiment with a current of 200,000 charges per second which is certainly curious. He passes the current through a great spiral of wire surrounding his body, but not touching him, and holds his arms so as to make a circle, with the lamp lighted up, and yet he feels nothing. Moreover, the current only passes in the wire. To this effect he gives the name of autoconduction.

Sirre has this year paid a passing visit to Shanghai and the neighbourhood in vast numbers. The N. C. Daily News, and other papers have been to take advantage of this unusual circumstance, especially on the Race Course, where the shooting is acting. Sirre's Lordship taking their seats, Sirre Justice Fielding Clarke and Mr Justice Wise, Acting Prothonotary, and Mr Justice Russell, Clerk of the Bar, were present.

On the Bench were Chief Justice Fielding Clarke, and Mr Justice Wise, Acting Prothonotary, and Mr Justice Russell, Clerk of the Bar, who remained standing while his Lordship was speaking. His Lordship said—Mr Attorney General and Members of the Bar, we cannot take our seats here this morning without alluding to the sad news, which startled us yesterday, of the death of my late chief and colleague Sir James Russell. I am sure it came as a grief and a shock to you all, and to many of us it came home as a personal loss of a valued friend. I am aware that when he left Hongkong he had no expectation that his life would be long preserved, for he had suffered from a malady which could not but cast a gloom over his life. He was a man who loved for his sterling worth, the unfailing kindness and his gentle disposition, and I know that he goes to the grave which can hardly yet have closed upon him accompanied by the honour and esteem and affection of those amongst whom he lived and laboured, and he will live in the memory of his friends in this Colony as one who devoted himself to its service with untiring energy and fidelity.

The Attorney General said—Ladies and gentlemen, I desire on behalf of the Bar to express the deep sorrow with which we heard the very sad news which appears in this morning's paper. Most of us here now know Sir James Russell as a Judge but we know him as a man of a very high character. A Chinkung resident informs us that some of the pell-mell are now very plentiful at that port, and a bag of thirty-six pence was made on one occasion last week.

Lewis Strand, the fifty miles amateur champion bicyclist accomplished a splendid performance on a tricycle on the Herne Hill track on 20th July when he easily beat all records for that type of machine for two miles to ten inclusive.

The evening was a chilly one, with a fair wind blowing, but Strand, admirably paced by several well-known men, made ten miles in 2 min. 34.4 sec., thus

securing the ten miles' record by 3 sec. Lewis

does 2 min. 29.2 sec., a reduction, as we have said, of 31.5 sec.

Now that the disastrous flooding of the Metropolitan province has put about 50 per cent. of the population under the Viceroy Li Hung-chang's jurisdiction on the verge of famine, the Board of Revenue (says the Shanghai Mercury) has decided to allow rice from the Southern ports to be conveyed to Tientsin, and landed there free of duty. anxious to take every advantage of the imperial bounty the wide-spreading and grasping Customs Taantsai at Tientsin is one more spreading his nets so that the shipping company of which he is the Chief Director may get all the profits of the carriage of this duty-free rice. An undertaking, it will be remembered, was given last year as the result of protests lodged against tricks of this sort by Mr O'Connor, on behalf of the two large British steamer companies, that no more *tauchous* would be issued, but now we see the ever-ready Sheng-hui at his old tricks again, and he has had instructions similarly issued to those of last year given to the Tientsin at this port, the office of which would be to bypass the C. N. Co. and the Indo-China Co. steamer in respect of the carriage of this duty-free rice. But a number of dubious had been already issued, as we believe, before Sheng-hui's instructions arrived, and we have reason to believe that steps are being taken to defeat his selfish and illegal scheme and so let the starving population of the Metropolitan province have every benefit of the facilities in the conveyance of rice which the presence of abundance of Foreign steamers implies.

THE DEATH OF SIR JAMES RUSSELL.

The news of the death of Sir James Russell, which reached the colony yesterday morning, must have been received with deep sorrow by everybody here who knew the late Chief Justice. It was well known when Sir James left Hongkong, a little over a year ago, on leave of absence, that there was little likelihood of his returning to take up the somewhat trying duties of Chief Justice. For years the state of his health had been such as to make those duties a heavy burden to him. If it ever could be said of any retiring officer of the Government of this Colony that he had earned the right to that office of dignity which ought to be the reward of every man who has been faithful and assiduous in doing the work allotted to him, it could surely be said of Sir James Russell. But he was not destined to enjoy a long period of rest and peace in the declining years of his life, and there is something inexpressibly pathetic in the thought that a man who had spent his strength in doing what he could for the service of his country in a far-off and uncongenial clime should return to his native land only to die.

It was understood by the friends of the late Chief Justice here that his health had somewhat improved of late; even the last

mail from home brought letters from him whose cheery tone added much to the strength of that impression. The news which came on Sunday, therefore, was not only sad but unexpected. The telegram to His Excellency the Governor, it appears,

merely conveyed the information that Sir James Russell was dead; a later message, to Mr Thomas Jackson, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, brought the news that the cause of death was heart disease.

Although Sir James had severed his official connection with Hongkong he could not but take a keen interest in its affairs, and there was no man among the number of those who may be described as retired Hongkong officials to whom advice the Colonial Office would be entitled to give more weight than that of the Chief Justice of Hongkong.

The following is Sir James Russell's record in the Colonial Office List—
Sir James, C.M.G. (1887), Kt., Bach. (1889)—E.A., Queen's Own, I.R., 1863; M.A., 1873; LL.B.; University gold medal, 1874. Hongkong cadet, 1858; 2nd Lieut., 1863; 1st Lieut., 1865; Adj'ty Secy. to the Vice-regal Commissioner, 1868; police magistrate, 1870; acted as attorney-general, Jan., 1877, to Mar., 1881; treasurer and registrar-general, 1881; vice-judge, 1883; member of smuggling committee, 1882; member of mixed commission under Chefoo agreement in 1884; acting chief justice, 1884, 1896; and 1887-8; chief justice, 1888; retired, 1892.

Reference was made to the sad event in the Supreme Court this morning, and out of respect for the memory of the late Chief Justice, the cases set down for the day were adjourned, the motion for adjournment being made by the Attorney General (Hon. W. M. G. Edman) on behalf of the members of the Bar.

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Now that the disastrous flooding of the Metropolitan province has put about 50 per cent. of the population under the Viceroy Li Hung-chang's jurisdiction on the verge of famine, the Board of Revenue (says the Shanghai Mercury) has decided to allow rice from the Southern ports to be conveyed to Tientsin, and landed there free of duty. anxious to take every advantage of the imperial bounty the wide-spreading and grasping Customs Taantsai at Tientsin is one more spreading his nets so that the shipping company of which he is the Chief Director may get all the profits of the carriage of this duty-free rice. An undertaking, it will be remembered, was given last year as the result of protests lodged against tricks of this sort by Mr O'Connor, on behalf of the two large British steamer companies, that no more *tauchous* would be issued, but now we see the ever-ready Sheng-hui at his old tricks again, and he has had instructions similarly issued to those of last year given to the Tientsin at this port, the office of which would be to bypass the C. N. Co. and the Indo-China Co. steamer in respect of the carriage of this duty-free rice. But a number of dubious had been already issued, as we believe, before Sheng-hui's instructions arrived, and we have reason to believe that steps are being taken to defeat his selfish and illegal scheme and so let the starving population of the Metropolitan province have every benefit of the facilities in the conveyance of rice which the presence of abundance of Foreign steamers implies.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MORPHINE, ETC.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Sep. 4, 1893.

Sir.—The introduction of an Ordinance whereby the practice of opium-smoking is declared to be an illegal act, and the possession of an opium-pipe a penal offence, has excited the greatest indignation. No. Mr. Editor, I am wrong. It is not morphia in this form that is gone. A friend of mine says I don't understand this.

Yes, I am wrong. We shall collect Sir James Russell, as a Judge but he will be embalmed in our memory as a man whom we loved. I have nothing more to add, my lords, except to ask on behalf of the Bar that, as a mark of respect, you would adjourn the Court. I feel that the business perhaps would not be done so well to-day.

The Chief Justice—Yes, the Court will adjourn to those of last year.

The Court then rose.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Eleven of the members of the above competition on Saturday for the new long range cup and spoons, the cup being won for the first time by Inspector Mann, who also captured the net aggregate spoons with 75 out of a possible 100 points, Major Eyston winning the other spoons with 3 sec. The following are the scores:

	200 Yards	400 Yards	Net
	yds. pts.	yds. pts.	yards. pts. result.
Inspector Mann	42 57	50 60	0 75
Col. Robinson, R.I.D.	39 55	50 62	0 58
Capt. Palmer, G.S.D.	37 57	52 64	0 65
Com. Adm. G. H. F. S.	30 59	50 60	0 59
Gen. McRae, H.K.P.	31 58	50 60	0 57
Gen. Eyston	22 50	50 60	0 52
Lieut. Help. ...	22 50	50 60	0 52
Mr. Duncan	22 50	47 50	0 47
St. Quiles	24 52	55 50	0 47

THE DEATH OF SIR JAMES RUSSELL.

The news of the death of Sir James Russell, which reached the colony yesterday morning, must have been received with deep sorrow by everybody here who knew the late Chief Justice. It was well known when Sir James left Hongkong, a little over a year ago, on leave of absence, that there was little likelihood of his returning to take up the somewhat trying duties of Chief Justice. For years the state of his health had been such as to make those duties a heavy burden to him. If it ever could be said of any retiring officer of the Government of this Colony that he had earned the right to that office of dignity which ought to be the reward of every man who has been faithful and assiduous in doing the work allotted to him, it could surely be said of Sir James Russell. But he was not destined to enjoy a long period of rest and peace in the declining years of his life, and there is something inexpressibly pathetic in the thought that a man who had spent his strength in doing what he could for the service of his country in a far-off and uncongenial clime should return to his native land only to die.

It was understood by the friends of the late Chief Justice here that his health had somewhat improved of late; even the last

mail from home brought letters from him whose cheery tone added much to the strength of that impression. The news which came on Sunday, therefore, was not only sad but unexpected. The telegram to His Excellency the Governor, it appears,

merely conveyed the information that Sir James Russell was dead; a later message, to Mr Thomas Jackson, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, brought the news that the cause of death was heart disease.

TIENSIN.

24th August, 1893.

There is very little news stirring here, the floods monopolising at the moment all the attention of Native and Foreigners alike.

Though it is now nearly a month since the two Siamese emissaries from Bangkok arrived here, very little is known of their doings, or how much they have succeeded in gaining Chinese support, though it is tolerably certain that the Viceroy bears no great love for the French and has amongst his most intimate Foreign friends those who would be glad to see him give substantial expression to his feelings. But as it is, the Siamese are located in the Ta-ma temple by the Viceroy's command.

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